

**Before the
Federal Communications Commission
Washington, D.C. 20554**

In the Matter of)	
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Location-Based Routing)	PS Docket No. 18-64
for Wireless 911 Calls)	

ORDER

Adopted: May 2, 2018

Released: May 2, 2018

By the Chief, Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau:

1. By this *Order*, the Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau (Bureau) grants the Joint Motion for Extension of Time to File Reply Comments (Joint Motion) submitted by the National Emergency Number Association (NENA), the National Association of State 9-1-1 Administrators, the Texas 9-1-1 Entities, West Safety Services, Inc., Comtech Communications, Inc., and CTIA (collectively, the “Parties”).¹ Based on the record before us, we find that good cause exists to grant a one-week extension of time until June 28, 2018, for all commenters to file reply comments in this proceeding. The May 7, 2018, initial comment deadline, for which no extension was sought, remains unchanged.

2. When the Commission released the *Notice of Inquiry (NOI)* in the above-captioned proceeding, it initially set a deadline of June 21, 2018, for reply comments.² On April 19, 2018, the Parties filed a Joint Motion requesting a “modest” one-week extension of the reply comment deadline.³ The Parties state that many interested parties expected to contribute comments and reply comments in response to the *NOI* will be attending the NENA 2018 National Conference and Expo scheduled to take place from June 16, 2018, to June 21, 2018.⁴ The Parties argue that granting the extension “will allow these critical stakeholders time to review, analyze, and comment on all of the comments in the record” and alleviate the anticipated time conflict, while “provid[ing] the Commission with better prepared and more relevant and useful information.”⁵

3. While it is the policy of the Commission that “extensions shall not be routinely granted,”⁶ we find that good cause exists to extend the reply comment deadline. The Commission has previously found that an extension of time is warranted when such an extension is necessary to ensure that the Commission receives full and informed responses and that affected parties have a meaningful opportunity to develop a complete record for the Commission's consideration.⁷ Granting a one-week extension of the reply comment deadline will ensure that interested parties have adequate time to prepare full and informed

¹ NENA, *et al.*, Joint Motion for Extension of Time to File Reply Comments, PS Docket No. 18-64 (filed Apr. 19, 2018) (Joint Motion). The Texas 911 Entities consist of the Texas 9-1-1 Alliance, the Texas Commission on State Emergency Communications, and the Municipal Emergency Communication Districts Association.

² *Location-Based Routing for 911 Calls*, Notice of Inquiry, FCC 18-32 (rel. Mar. 23, 2018).

³ Joint Motion at 1.

⁴ *Id.* at 2 note 5.

⁵ *Id.* at 2-3.

⁶ 47 CFR § 1.46.

⁷ See, e.g., *Wireless E911 Location Accuracy Requirements*, Order, 25 FCC Rcd 16789, 16880, para. 3 (PSHSB 2010).

reply comments without constraining the Commission's ability to consider a full record. We expect that this modest extension will result in a more robust record from all stakeholders.

4. ACCORDINGLY, IT IS ORDERED, pursuant to sections 4(i), 4(j), and 5(c) of the Communications Act, as amended, 47 U.S.C. §§ 154(i), 154(j), and 155(c), and sections 0.191, 0.392, and 1.46 of the Commission's rules, 47 CFR §§ 0.191, 0.392, and 1.46 that the Parties' Joint Motion for Extension of Time to File Reply Comments filed on April 19, 2018, IS GRANTED, and the deadline for filing reply comments in PS Docket No. 18-64 is extended until June 28, 2018, for all commenters.

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